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R E S O L U T I O N

1 WHEREAS, Words cannot adequately express the sorrow felt
2 regarding the tragic loss of sisters Brianna Robinson, age 19, and
3 Jade Robinson, age 17, of Houston, on March 20, 2016; and

4 WHEREAS, These beloved young women were born into a loving
5 family that included their mother, Stacey Robinson, their father
6 and stepmother, Toren and Zina Robinson, and their older brother,
7 Dr. Toron Wooldridge; at an early age, they learned the
8 fundamentals of track and field under the direction of their father
9 and went on to become star athletes and honor-roll students in the
10 Houston Independent School District; in addition, they were valued
11 congregants at Windsor Village United Methodist Church; and

12 WHEREAS, Smart, sophisticated, and compassionate, Brianna
13 Robinson competed in track, swimming, and gymnastics at Pershing
14 Middle School and continued her education at Bellaire High School;
15 aspiring to become a school administrator, she volunteered as a
16 principal's assistant with Houston ISD, and following her
17 graduation in 2014, Brianna began pursuing a degree in elementary
18 education at Houston Community College while also working at West
19 University Elementary; in her spare time, she enjoyed shopping and
20 keeping up with the latest fashion trends; and

21 WHEREAS, Jade Robinson was a talented, fearless, and
22 fun-loving teenager who was wise beyond her years; adventurous and
23 highly competitive, she participated in track, swimming, lacrosse,
24 and gymnastics; moreover, she was a five-year club athlete for

1 Houston Juniors Volleyball, and she led the Bellaire High School
2 varsity volleyball team as its co-captain and outside hitter; in
3 2013, she was featured in *Vype Magazine* as one of Houston's top
4 volleyball players; a senior at Bellaire High School, Jade was
5 preparing to attend Tennessee Wesleyan University on a volleyball
6 scholarship to pursue a career in veterinary medicine, which had
7 been her dream since the age of four; and

8 WHEREAS, Although the lives of these bright and vibrant young
9 women ended far too soon, their loved ones may take comfort in the
10 knowledge that the determination and strength with which they lived
11 their lives will never be forgotten; now, therefore, be it

12 RESOLVED, That the House of Representatives of the 85th Texas
13 Legislature hereby pay tribute to the memory of Brianna and Jade
14 Robinson and extend sincere condolences to the members of their
15 family and their many friends; and, be it further

16 RESOLVED, That an official copy of this resolution be
17 prepared for their family and that when the Texas House of
18 Representatives adjourns this day, it do so in memory of Brianna and
19 Jade Robinson.